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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Jiri Aubrecht, et al :

APPLICATION NO.: 10/029,741 : Examiner: To be assigned

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TITLE: Novel Bioluminescent Assays and Bacterial :
Strains Useful Therein

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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 ET SEQ.

Applicant(s) herein make(s) available to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office a copy of PTO-FB-A820, which lists the references cited by the applicant(s), copies of which are enclosed.

The Examiner is requested to consider carefully the complete text of these references in connection with the examination of the above-identified application in accord with 37 C.F.R. § 1.104(a). It is believed the Examiner will concur with applicant's belief that the subject matter presently claimed is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the foregoing references.

It is requested that the references listed on the attached form PTO-FB-A820 be included in the "References Cited" portion of any patent issuing from this application (M.P.E.P. § 1302.12).

A prompt and favorable response is earnestly solicited.

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